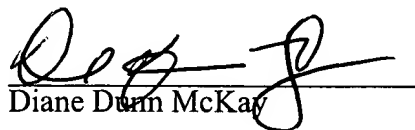




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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination and prior to the calculation of the filing fee, please amend this application as follows:

In the Title:

Please change "Dielectrophoris" to --Dielectrophorises--.

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 4, change "This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/163,523 filed November 4, 1999, which is incorporated herein